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**IN THE CLAIMS:****Please amend the original claims as follows.**

1. (Original) A floating fountain comprising:
  - a tubular, hollow base assembly;
  - a tubular, hollow connection member located substantially centrally of the base assembly, extending downwardly below a plane created by the base assembly, and in communicating relation with the base assembly, such that the connection member allows the base assembly to be connected in a communicating relation to a pressurized source of fluid, wherein the pressurized source of fluid provides the fluid at a pressure of between about 10 psi and about 130 psi and a volume above about 30 GPM;
  - a primary nozzle member located above the connection member, extending upwardly from the plane created by the base assembly, and in communicating relation with the connection member and the base assembly, such that fluid from the pressurized source of fluid may be communicated to the primary nozzle member;
  - a plurality of secondary nozzle members mounted to the base assembly, extending upwardly from the plane created by the base assembly, and in communicating relation with the base assembly, such that fluid from the pressurized source of fluid may be communicated to each of the secondary nozzle members; and
  - a float body affixed to a bottom side of the base assembly, wherein the float body includes an aperture for allowing the connection member to pass from a top side of the float body to a bottom side of the float body.
2. (Original) The floating fountain of claim 1, wherein the pressurized source of fluid is an irrigation system.
3. (Original) The floating fountain of claim 1, wherein the pressurized source of fluid is indirectly coupled to the connection member.

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4. (Original) The floating fountain of claim 1, wherein the pressurized source of fluid is a pump.

5. (Original) The floating fountain of claim 4, wherein the pump is not directly attached to the primary nozzle member.

6. (Original) The floating fountain of claim 1, further comprising an infinitely variable valve disposed between the pressurized source of fluid and the connection member, whereby the pressure at which the pressurized fluid is communicated to the base assembly and is communicated to each nozzle member is variable.

7. (Currently Amended) A floating fountain comprising:  
a tubular, hollow base assembly;  
a tubular, hollow connection member, disposed for receiving pressurized fluid from a pressurized source of fluid and communicating the pressurized fluid to the base assembly, wherein the pressurized source of fluid is located remote from the floating fountain;  
a primary nozzle member, disposed for receiving pressurized fluid from the base assembly and providing a stream of fluid that extends substantially upwardly from the plane created by the base assembly; and  
a plurality of secondary nozzle members, each secondary nozzle member being disposed for receiving pressurized fluid from the base assembly and providing a stream of fluid.

8. (Original) The floating fountain of claim 7, wherein the base assembly is a substantially rectangular base assembly.

9. (Original) The floating fountain of claim 7, wherein the base assembly comprises an inner base assembly and at least one outer base assembly.

10. (Original) The floating fountain of claim 7, wherein each nozzle member is capable of being blocked preventing the stream of fluid from flowing therethrough.

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11. (Original) The floating fountain of claim 7, wherein at least one nozzle member includes a fluid diffusion pin for diffusing the stream of fluid flowing therethrough.
12. (Currently Amended) The floating fountain of claim 11 [7], wherein the fluid diffusion pin is adjustable, such that the level of diffusion of the stream of fluid flowing therethrough is adjustable.
13. (Original) The floating fountain of claim 7, wherein the connection member is located substantially centrally of the base assembly.
14. (Original) The floating fountain of claim 7, wherein the connection member extends downwardly below a plane created by the base assembly.
15. (Original) The floating fountain of claim 7, wherein the pressurized fluid is provided at a pressure of between about 10 psi and about 130 psi.
16. (Original) The floating fountain of claim 7, wherein the pressurized fluid is provided at a volume above about 30 GPM.
17. (Original) The floating fountain of claim 7, wherein the pressurized source of fluid is an irrigation system.
18. (Original) The floating fountain of claim 7, wherein the pressurized source of fluid is indirectly coupled to the connection member.
19. (Original) The floating fountain of claim 7, wherein the pressurized source of fluid is a pump.

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20. (Original) The floating fountain of claim 19, wherein the pump is not directly attached to the primary nozzle member.

21. (Original) The floating fountain of claim 7, wherein each nozzle member is an aperture.

22. (Original) The floating fountain of claim 7, wherein each nozzle member comprises at least one reduction fitting, coupled to the base assembly.

23. (Original) The floating fountain of claim 7, wherein each nozzle member comprises a plurality of reduction fittings, a first reduction fitting coupled to the base assembly and at least one second reduction fitting coupled to the first reduction fitting.

24. (Original) The floating fountain of claim 7, wherein the primary nozzle member is located substantially above the connection member.

25. (Original) The floating fountain of claim 7, wherein each of the secondary nozzle members is located on the base assembly.

26. (Original) The floating fountain of claim 7, wherein at least one of the secondary nozzle members is disposed at a 90 degree angle with the plane created by the base assembly.

27. (Original) The floating fountain of claim 7, wherein at least one of the secondary nozzle members is disposed at an angle of less than 90 degree with the plane created by the base assembly.

28. (Original) The floating fountain of claim 7, wherein at least one of the secondary nozzle members is disposed at an angle greater than 90 degree with the plane created by the base assembly.

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29. (Original) The floating fountain of claim 7, further comprising a float body affixed to a bottom side of the base assembly.

30. (Original) The floating fountain of claim 29, wherein the float body includes an aperture for allowing the connection member to pass from a top side of the float body to a bottom side of the float body.

31. (Original) The floating fountain of claim 7, further comprising an infinitely variable valve disposed between the pressurized source of fluid and the connection member, whereby the pressure at which the pressurized fluid enters the base assembly and is provided to each nozzle member is variable.

32. (Currently Amended) A floating fountain system comprising in combination:  
a pressurized source of fluid capable of providing a fluid at a pressure of between about 10 psi and about 130 psi, and a volume above about 30 GPM, wherein the pressurized source of fluid is located remote from the floating fountain;

a tubular, hollow base assembly, wherein the base assembly includes,  
a tubular, hollow connection member, disposed for receiving pressurized fluid from the pressurized source of fluid [irrigation system] and communicating the pressurized fluid to the base assembly;

a primary nozzle member, disposed for receiving pressurized fluid from the base assembly and providing a stream of fluid that extends substantially upwardly from the plane created by the base assembly; and

a plurality of secondary nozzle members, each secondary nozzle member being disposed for receiving pressurized fluid from the base assembly and providing a stream of fluid;

an infinitely variable valve disposed between the pressurized source of fluid [irrigation system] and the connection member, whereby the pressure at which the pressurized fluid enters the base assembly and is provided to each nozzle member is variable; and

a float body affixed to a bottom side of the base assembly.

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33. (Original) The floating fountain system of claim 32, wherein the connection member extends downwardly below a plane created by the base assembly.

34. (Original) The floating fountain system of claim 32, wherein the pressurized source of fluid is an irrigation system.

35. (Original) The floating fountain system of claim 32, wherein the pressurized source of fluid is indirectly coupled to the connection member.

36. (Original) The floating fountain system of claim 32, wherein the pressurized source of fluid is a pump.

37. (Original) The floating fountain system of claim 36, wherein the pump is not directly attached to the primary nozzle member.